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TO AMCONSUL MONTREAL

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AMCONSUL HALIFAX

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FOR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS FROM DCM

DEPARTMENT FOR EUR/CAN - MR. ROUSE ONLY

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: DCM VISIT

1. AS YOU KNOW, I HAVE LONG WISHED TO VISIT YOUR POSTS IN ORDER TO MEET STAFFS, INSPECT OFFICIAL PREMISES AND DISCUSS WAYS IN WHICH WE COULD IMPROVE THE INTEGRATION OF EMBASSY AND CONGEN FUNCTIONS.

2. MY SCHEDULE NOW SEEMS TO OFFER OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE SUCH TRIP FROM DECEMBER 2 THROUGH 7. MY THOUGHT WOULD BE TO ARRIVE IN MONTREAL MID-MORNING ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2, TO SPEND THE BALANCE OF THAT DAY AND NEXT BEFORE PROCEEDING TO QUEBEC ON MORNING OF SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4. I WOULD THEN SPEND MORNING OF MONDAY, DECEMBER 6 AT CONGEN QUEBEC BEFORE PROCEEDING TO HALIFAX. I WOULD PLAN ON RETURNING TO OTTAWA LATE ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7.

3. THIS SEQUENCE COULD BE REVERSED, IF IT IS NOT COLLECTIVELY CONVENIENT. I APPRECIATE, FOR EXAMPLE, THAT IT MIGHT UNDULY BURDEN CONGEN HALIFAX TO HAVE ME THERE ON EVE OF VISIT FROM AMBASSADOR. IN ANY CASE, INTENT OF THIS MESSAGE IS TO SOLICIT YOUR TENTATIVE REACTIONS ON VISIT IN TIMEFRAME INDICATED.

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4. INASMUCH AS MY PRIMARY INTEREST ON THIS OCCASION IS "INSIDE" ASPECTS OF OUR OPERATIONS, I WOULD NOT PLAN TO MAKE COURTESY CALLS ON LOCAL DIGNITARIES. I WOULD, OF COURSE, BE HAPPY TO MEET WITH CANADIANS OVER LUNCHEON OR DINNER IF THAT WOULD SERVE YOUR PURPOSES.

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